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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ETRN, UNCTAD, UN
SUBJ: SHIPPING: CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LINER CONFERENCES

REF: STATE 164561

1. SOME REPLIES TO REFTEL HAVE RAISED QUESTIONS REGARDING INTERESTS OF VARIOUS GOVERNMENTS IN RATIFYING CODE OF CONDUCT OF LINER CONFERENCES, INCLUDING THE DOMESTIC PLAY OF FORCES, AND ABILITY OF USG TO DIRECTLY INFLUENCE FINAL DECISION OF INDIVIDUAL GOVERNMENTS WITHOUT AROUSING UNACCEPTABLE INTERNATIONAL REACTION.

2. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO EMPHASIZE POINT MADE IN PARA 1, REFTEL, THAT EMBASSY CONTACTS SHOULD BE EXTREMELY DISCREET AND LOW-KEYED. ALSO POINT PARA 9, REFTEL, FOR INFO POSTS THAT CONTACTS LEFT TO DISCRETION OF POST. WE OBVIOUSLY DO NOT WANT TO GIVE IMPRESSION THAT U.S. IS ENGAGED IN SINGLEHANDED CAMPAIGN TO IMPEDE RATIFICATION PROCESS BY COUNTRIES, WHICH IS NOT INTENDED. SUCH IMPRESSION WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT U.S. IMAGE WITH CERTAIN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND COULD ELICIT SIMILAR ACTIONS BY OTHERS IN FUTURE AGAINST CONVENTION WE FAVOR. WE DO WISH OTHERS TO UNDERSTAND, HOWEVER, THAT THE USG HAS NOT CHANGED ITS VIEW THAT THIS CODE IS UNACCEPTABLE AND ACCORDINGLY THAT WE DO NOT INTEND TO RATIFY IT. FYI: EC COMMISSION HAS SENT EC COUNCIL A PROPOSED COUNCIL DECISION CALLING FOR MEMBER STATES TO REFRAIN FROM SIGNING, RATIFYING OR ACCEDING TO CODE UNTIL A COMMON COMMUNITY POSITION CAN BE REACHED. (SEE EC BRUSSELS 4915, 4933 AND 5431, WHICH ARE BEING REPEATED TO POSTS NOT ON ORIGINAL DISTRIBUTION.) END FYI

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3. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO CLARIFY ONE POINT THAT MAY BE MISAPPREHENDED FROM TEXT OF EARLER CABLE. CODE WAS ADOPTED AT GENEVA BY VOTE OF 70 TO 7 WITH 5 ABSTENSIONS. THE CODE WAS NOT OPENED FOR SIGNATURE IN GENEVA, HOWEVER. IT WAS OPENED FOR SIGNATURE AT UN HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK ON JULY 1, AND WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR SIGNATURE UNTIL JUNE 31, 1975. TO DATE, ONLY PHILIPPINES HAS SIGNED. IN PARA 4, REFTEL, SUBSTITUTE SIGNATURE FOR RATIFICATION IN

REFERENCE TO OECD COUNTRIES' ACTION BEFORE END OF YEAR.
WHILE SOME SIGNATURES TO CODE MAY BE ANTICIPATED FROM OECD
COUNTRIES WE BELIEVE ANY RATIFICATIONS FROM MAJOR OECD
COUNTRIES COULD NOT BE EXPECTED FOR MORE THAN A YEAR AT
EARLIEST. WHILE REFTEL REFERS TO RATIFICATION, OUR
COMMENTS, OF COURSE, APPLY EQUALLY TO SIGNATURES TO
CODE.

4. FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS AND ANSWERS TO SPECIFIC REQUESTS
CABLED TO DEPARTMENT WILL FOLLOW AFTER RECEIPT OF PRELIM-
INARY REPORTS TO REFTEL FROM ADDRESSEES AND FROM OTHER
POSTS ON BASIS A-5007. KISSINGER

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